Public Notice – Environmental Project

PURPOSE OF NOTICE:

The Department of Environmental Quality seeks public comment on the state's response to the environmental aspects of a proposed project in the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

June 22, 2009 to July 10, 2009

TYPE OF RESPONSE:

Federal Consistency Certification

DEQ is reviewing a federal permitting action to determine if it is consistent with the U.S. Coastal Zone Management Act. The act seeks to protect the quality of air, water or other natural resources in Virginia's coastal area.

NAME OF AGENCY PROPOSING THE PROJECT:

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) proposes to provide funding under the HUD Supportive Housing Program to the City of Virginia Beach Department of Housing and Neighborhood Preservation for the construction of the proposed Judeo-Christian Outreach Center (JCOC) transitional housing complex. The project site is located on West Lane near the intersection of First Colonial Road. The 0.6-acre site contains a vacant duplex structure that will be demolished. A 16-unit apartment building would be constructed consisting of six 2-bedroom units and ten studio units. Construction would include a paved entrance drive, parking spaces and landscaping. On behalf of HUD, GeoEnvironmental Resources, Inc. has submitted a federal consistency certification that finds the proposal consistent with the enforceable policies of the Virginia Coastal Resources Management Program (also called the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program).

HOW TO COMMENT:

DEQ accepts comments from the public by e-mail, fax or postal mail. All comments must include the name, address and telephone number of the person commenting and be received by DEQ within the comment period. The public may review the project documents at DEQ's central office in Richmond.

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